



Mentoring Your Student

CAREGIVER #1:

The person with the biggest influence on my life was...

CAREGIVER #2:

My Father. He always believed in me.

CAREGIVER #4:

He was my high school basketball coach. Coach Murphy.

CAREGIVER #3:

Carla Running Horse. She was my 7th grade science teacher.

CAREGIVER #2:

That mentor really saved me.

CAREGIVER #5:

He was the one that kept me from making bad decisions.

CAREGIVER #3:

She saw potential in me that I couldn't see.

CAREGIVER #1:

I wanted to make sure my daughter has a good influence like that in her life too.

CAREGIVER #2:

I strived to be that influence...

CAREGIVER #4:

I was able to be that mentor for him.

CAREGIVER #3:

I drove him to guitar lessons every other day so he could have that positive influence.

CAREGIVER #5:

I was always there if she needed someone to talk to.

CAREGIVER #2:

I encouraged my grandson to learn and be inspired by his favorite teachers.

CAREGIVER #1:

I am so grateful for the mentors in my life...

CAREGIVER #3:

...now my son is thankful for his.

NARRATOR:

All of us can probably think of someone in our life who helped make us who we are today. Whether it was a teacher, a coach, or a family member, there was likely someone we looked up to and trusted to give us good advice.

That's what a mentor is. It's someone willing to use their time and experience to help guide another person to make good life choices.

Schools across the country have discovered that using mentors is a very important part of getting and keeping students in school. When your child is having a hard time staying motivated at school, or needs advice about handling new situations, a mentor can be a big help.

In many ways, you are a mentor to your child, but often they still need someone else who can relate to them in other ways. They may like to be around someone who works in the kind of job they would like to have someday. Or if they have a personal problem that you can't relate to, another mentor can talk to them about what they did when they faced a similar situation.

Consider taking your child to places you know they could find mentors, like a Boys and Girls Club run by caring adults.

Help your child find a mentor, because having one in their life can make a huge impact on them reaching their fullest potential.

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